



8th April, 1800.

Read the first and second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

A Bill

To authorize the sale and conveyance of lands in certain cases, by the Marshals of the United States, and to confirm former sales.

1 SEC. 1. **B**E it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of
2 the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That where the
3 United States shall have obtained judgment in civil actions brought in
4 those states, wherein by the laws and practice of such states, lands be-
5 longing to the defendant are delivered to the plaintiff, in satisfaction of
6 such judgment, and shall have received seizure and possession of lands so
7 delivered, it shall be lawful for the marshal of the district wherein such
8 lands are situated, under the directions of the Secretary of the Treasury,
9 to expose such lands to public auction, and to execute a grant thereof
10 to the highest bidder, on receiving payment of the full purchase money,
11 which grant, so made, shall vest in such purchaser all the right, estate,
12 and interest of the United States, in and to such lands.

1 SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the sales heretofore made
2 by collectors of certain districts of the United States, of lands delivered
3 as aforesaid to the United States, shall be, and they are hereby confirm-
4 ed. *Provided,* That this confirmation shall not extend to any such sale
5 unless the whole of the purchase money for the same shall have been paid
6 to the United States.